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SUBJECT: OIL AND US BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

1. WE NOTE PUBLIC STATEMENTS ABOUT OUR BALANCE OF
PAYMENTS DEFICIT AMOUNTED TO SOME \$900 MILLION AND
THIS BEING ATTRIBUTED DIRECTLY TO INCREASE IN OIL
IMPORT COSTS. WE NOTE ALSO ESTIMATE OF SOME \$7 BILLION
NEW INVESTMENT IN US COMING FROM OIL-PRODUCING COUNTRIES.
APPRECIATE KNOWING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE:

A). WHAT IS US OIL IMPORT BILL THIS YEAR OVER LAST YEAR?

B). BREAK OUT OF OIL IMPORT BILL BETWEEN PERSIAN GULF
SUPPLIERS, VENEZUELA AND CANADA.

C). WHETHER ESTIMATED \$7 BILLION INVESTMENT HAS BEEN
TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN CALCULATING NET US BALANCE OF
PAYMENT POSITION.

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